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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A shipment management system for automatically managing shipment, the shipment management system comprising:

a shipment management server comprising:

a product warehousing module for warehousing products, generating data on the warehoused products, and transmitting the data on the warehoused products to at least one external system;

a shipment sheet generating module for determining clients to which products are shipped and shipping dates, and generating shipment sheets according to sales orders provided by said external system;

a shipment sheet processing module for collecting the shipment sheets, generating an accumulative shipment sheet for each client, generating detailed data on the accumulative shipment sheet, and arranging for packing of products to be shipped; and

a shipment confirming module for confirming shipment according to the detailed data on the accumulative shipment sheet, and transmitting the confirmation of shipment to said external system;

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a database for storing basic data of the products and shipment reports; and

a plurality of client computers for providing interactive user interfaces for users to query the basic data and the shipment reports.

Claim 2 (original): The shipment management system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the products comprise any one or more of work-in-process products, semi-finished products, finished products, and sales return products.

Claim 3 (current amended): The shipment management system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a basic data receiving module for receiving the basic data from said external system.

Claim 4 (current amended): The shipment management system as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a report generating module for generating the shipment reports.

Claim 5 (current amended): A computer-enabled shipment management method comprising the steps of:

warehousing any one or more of work-in-process products, semi-finished products, finished products, and sales return products;

determining clients to which products are shipped and shipping dates, and generating shipment sheets according to sales orders provided by at least one external system;

collecting the shipment sheets, generating an accumulative shipment sheet for each client, generating detailed data on the accumulative shipment, and arranging for packing of products to be shipped; and

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confirming shipment according to detailed data on each accumulative shipment sheet.

Claim 6 (original): The shipment management method as claimed in claim 5, further comprising the step of receiving basic data.

Claim 7 (original): The shipment management method as claimed in claim 5, further comprising the step of transmitting the confirmation of shipment to said external system.

Claim 8 (original): The shipment management method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the step of warehousing any one or more of work-in-process products, semi-finished products, finished products, and sales return products comprises the step of:

obtaining data on the sales return products from said external system according to a sales return notification provided by said external system.

Claim 9 (original): The shipment management method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the step of warehousing any one or more of work-in-process products, semi-finished products, finished products, and sales return products comprises the step of:

warehousing the sales return products that are regarded as finished products, and generating detailed data on the sales return products.

Claim 10 (current amended): The shipment management method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the step of determining clients to which products are shipped and shipping dates, and generating shipment sheets according to sales orders provided by at least one external system comprises the step of:

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~~determining whether there is a need to modify shipping dates,~~
~~and if there is a need to modify the shipping dates, the shipment~~
~~sheet generating module~~ modifying the shipping dates, and
generating new shipment sheets according to the modified
shipping dates.

Claim 11 (original): The shipment management method as claimed in claim
5, further comprising the step of generating one or more shipment
reports.